

REMARKS

This is a full and timely response to the outstanding final Office Action mailed August 17, 2005 (Paper No. 08152005). Upon entry of this response, claims 1-4 and 9-24 are pending in the application. In this response, claims 25-27 have been cancelled. Applicant respectfully requests that the amendments being filed herewith be entered and request that there be reconsideration of all pending claims.

1. Restriction Requirement

The Office Action alleges that claims 25-27 are directed to an invention that is independent or distinct from the invention originally claimed, and also indicates that claims 25-27 are withdrawn from consideration as being directed to a non-elected invention. (Office Actin, p. 2.) Claims 25-27 are cancelled without prejudice, waiver, or disclaimer. Applicant expressly reserves the right to present withdrawn claims 25-27, or variants thereof, in continuing applications to be filed subsequent to the present application. Applicant does not intend to dedicate any of the cancelled subject matter to the public.

2. Allowable Subject Matter

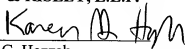
Applicant appreciates the Examiner's allowance of claims 1-4 and 9-24. Applicant has amended claim 4 to correct a typographical error. Applicant has also cancelled the withdrawn claims, and respectfully submits that the application is in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully requests that all outstanding objections and rejections be withdrawn and that this application and presently pending claims 1-4 and 9-24 be allowed to issue. If the Examiner has any questions or comments regarding Applicant's response, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone Applicants' undersigned counsel.

Respectfully submitted,

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